

夢幻街



YOSHIKI TEZUKA

水沢勇介











WHEN MASTERS OF MASKCRAFT PUT ALL OF THEIR HEART AND SOUL INTO CREATING A MASK, SOMETIMES, THEIR TENACITY GETS STUCK WITHIN IT.

THIS IS WHAT GIVES BIRTH TO AN EVIL MASQUE.

IN YOSHIKAZI, FUKUI PREFECTURE, THERE EXISTS A LEGEND ABOUT A MASK THAT HAD FLESH ATTACHED TO IT. THE MASK IS SUPPOSEDLY KEPT AT GANKU-JI TEMPLE.



So...

WHO BOUGHT THE MASK?



I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU!

I'LL DO MY BEST TO HELP YOU, SHIRAGAMI-SAN!

PLEASE ASK MY DAUGHTER ABOUT THE DETAILS.



WHAT...?









IT'S COOL,



/WHEN I WAS STILL
IN MIDDLE
SCHOOL...





MANGA
REBORN





N-NO...





















WOOOM



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SKRITCH



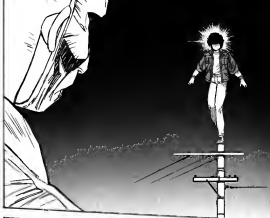
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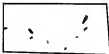
SFX:
WHAM











SFX: BWOHH



SHIRAGAMI-SAN?



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MIZUSAWA YUSUKE

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

登場人物紹介

■ MAO HYOUSUKE

THE 17TH-GENERATION "MUGEN,"
AND CURRENT OWNER OF
MUGEN'S PUPPET SHOP. HE
USES THE "KUHO" SKILLS HE
LEARNED FROM HIS GRANDFATHER
TO DO SIDE WORK AS A SHAMAN.
CURRENTLY HE CAN ONLY USE
THREE "KUHO" SKILLS PROPERLY:
FLIGHT, SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH,
AND RAZOR WIND.



"KUHO"

IN THE WORLD OF JAPANESE MYSTICISM, TENGU ARE KNOWN AS CREATURES THAT CONSIST PURELY OF ENERGY, WHO LIVE ALONGSIDE NATURE, YET ARE BEYOND WHAT OUR HUMAN BODIES CAN PHYSICALLY RECOGNIZE. NORMALLY, TENGU ARE BORN FROM NATURAL ENERGY, BUT HUMANS CAN ALSO BECOME TENGU IF THEY TRAIN THEMSELVES PROPERLY. THIS METHOD OF TRAINING IS KNOWN AS KUHO. TENGU POSSESS THE FOLLOWING ABILITIES: FLIGHT, SUPERHUMAN STRENGTH, TELEKINESIS, MIND-READING, INVISIBILITY, CLAIRVOYANCE, WATER-WALKING, RAZOR WIND, SPIRIT WAVES, AND ILLUSIONARY ARTS.

■ MAO GENZOU

HYOUSUKE'S GRANDFATHER. SEVERAL YEARS AGO, HIS SOUL WAS TRANSPLANTED INTO THIS HEAD. HE TAUGHT HYOUSUKE BOTH IN PUPPETRY AND KUNOU. GENZOU POSSESSED THE ABILITIES OF CLAIRVOYANCE, MIND-READING, AND ILLUSIONARY ARTS, BUT HE ALSO HAS A FEW OTHER TRICKS UP HIS SLEEVE.



■ SHIRAGAMI JIN

A SEALIST WHO CAN MANIPULATE POWERED SEALS CALLED "JUFU." HE MAKES HIS LIVING BY TAKING ANY SORT OF PAYING JOB HE CAN GET HIS HANDS ON. HE'S BEEN CONNECTED TO HYOUSUKE FOR SEVERAL YEARS.



■ SAKI MIYA

A CHILDHOOD FRIEND OF HYOUSUKE'S WHO TRAINED WITH HIM IN THE MOUNTAINS WHEN THEY WERE CHILDREN. SHE'S A MASTER OF KUNOU WHO CAN USE ALMOST ALL OF THE POSSIBLE ABILITIES, AND ALSO RUNS A DETECTIVE OFFICE. TO HYOUSUKE, SHE'S LIKE AN OLDER SISTER.



■ CHIBA REIKO

THE GIRL FROM THE LIQUOR SHOP NEXT DOOR WHO HELPS HYOUSUKE OUT PART-TIME AT HIS SHOP. SHE'S IN LOVE WITH HIM.



もへび

● 邪面 じまめん

● 妖猿 ようえん

● 攫 くわく

● 猫又 ねこまた

● 影法師 かげぼうし

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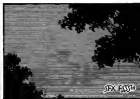
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RUSTLE







HMM...

WELL, SENSEI?















COOL...

YOU DON'T ACTUALLY EXPECT TO SEND HER HOME AT THIS POINT, DO YOU?

NOW WHAT, SENSEI?









#21. Phantom Monkey





YOU RAN?

MIYA-CHAN?



















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JGH...





MUGEN'S PUPPET SHOP

I FINISHED
ANOTHER ONE!

ALRIGHT!







BUT PERHAPS
THEY

THEY USUALLY GO
AFTER MALES...

CAN'T TELL
HUMANS
APART.



THE CLONE IS
MERELY FEEDING
OFF HER ENERGY
TO GROW RIGHT
NOW,

BUT IT WON'T BE
ABLE TO GROW
INTO A FULL
YAMARO WITHOUT
INTERCOURSE.

IS SHE...

GOING TO
BE OK?



MAYBE THAT
MAN YOU'RE
SEARCHING FOR
WAS ALSO...

PERHAPS
SHE'S NOT
THE ONLY
ONE IN
DANGER.



OR IT COULD
TAKE HER
LIFE.

EITHER WAY,
THOUGH, WE
NEED TO GET IT
OUT OF HER.









I'VE BEEN
LOOKING
FOR YOU!



YAMAZAKI
TSUTOMU,
RIGHT?!



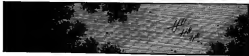
YAMAZAKI!!



SFX: THUD



SETHUD





REIKO-CHAN?
N?!



HEY,
REIKO-CHAN,
WHERE ARE
YOU...

AH...



HMP?











CRACK



Hrououk
!!



That's
him?

.....
.....



SFX: FWOOSH



Toht!

SFX: SHWASH

UOOOH!!!



TWICH



MIYA-CHAN!
GUARD
HER!

HYOUSUKE



OH!!

OH NO!

MIYA-
BOU!

YES?!

SFX:
LEAP





SFX: BWOOOM



SFX: UOOOHH



BWAHH







#22. Yamako



SFX: SLICE





GHAAAHH!!

GH





*: ONE OF THE KUNOI ABILITIES. BY CHANNELING SPIRITUAL WAVES THROUGH ONE'S PALM, PHYSICAL WOUNDS CAN BE HEALED.





A FIVE
DAYS
LATER







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YAMAKO ARE PHANTOM MONKEYS THAT RESEMBLE BLACK ORANGUTANS WHO USED TO BE OFTEN FOUND DEEP IN THE MOUNTAINS OF HIDA AND MINO IN Gifu PREFECTURE.



THEY'RE ALSO KNOWN AS "YAMAWAKAWA," "YAMAMAKO," AND AS "KAKUEN" IN CHINA.



THIS IS QUITE A SURPRISE...

GOOD QUESTION

I'M NOT SURE WHAT THEY SHOULD BE CALLED.



THEY'RE MONKEY MONSTERS?



THEN HOW DO THEY HAVE CHILDREN?



NO FEMALE YAMAKO EXIST.

ACCORDING TO LEGEND,



MONKEYS. THEY USE MONKEYS.

MONKEYS?



I ONLY HEARD ABOUT THEM ONCE, A VERY LONG TIME AGO, WHEN I WAS STILL YOUNG.

THIS IS MY FIRST TIME SEEING ONE IN PERSON.





HELLO!

LINKAI-SAN?!



.....
.....



MUGEN'S PUPPET SHOP

GIRLS
REALLY
HAVE

BECOME
FORWARD,
HAVEN'T
THEY?



JUST A LITTLE
SOUVENIR - A
NEKOMATA!

OH, THIS?



A
NEKOMATA
DA?



WHAT DID
YOU BRING
BACK WITH
YOU,
SHIGEN?



HM?

WHEN DID YOU
GET BACK FROM
SHIKOKU,
LINKAI-SAN?

JUST NOW!



WHEN THEIR TAIL
SPLITS, THE CATS
BECOME KNOWN AS
"NEKOMATA," OR
"GOTOKINAKO,"
CATS OF FIVE
VICTLES.

IT'S SAID THAT WHEN
CATS LIVE FOR A VERY
LONG TIME, THEIR TAIL
SPLITS INTO TWO AND
THEY GAIN MYSTERIOUS
POWERS.

THIS HAS A
POSSIBILITY OF
HAPPENING TO ANY
CAT WHO'S LIVED
FROM TEN TO THIRTY
YEARS.



AND PLAY TRICKS
ON HUMANS IN
ORDER TO STEAL
THEIR FOOD.

NEKOMATA HAVE
THE POWER TO
CONTROL SPIRIT
FLAMES.



WHAAAT
?!

HYOUBIKU, I'M
SORRY, BUT
WOULD YOU
TAKE CARE OF
HIM FOR ME?



AS YOU CAN
SEE THOUGH,
THE
NEKOMATA'S
ALL LOCKED UP.

I DON'T HAVE
THE HEART
TO KILL IT,
THOUGH.



SPIRIT
FLAMES?

AH... THEY'RE A
BIT DIFFERENT
FROM NORMAL
FLAMES, IN THAT
THEY AREN'T HOT.

BUT IF
SMOTHERED
BY THEM,
YOU'LL
SUFFOCATE.



YOU HAVE
GOT TO BE
KIDDING ME!

YOU ALREADY
HAVE SIX CATS,
SO WHAT
DIFFERENCE
WILL ANOTHER
ONE MAKE?



HERE.

YOU KNOW, NERDMATA ARE ACTUALLY QUITE LOVABLE.

STN

ALUET



I TOOK CARE OF ALL THAT.

OH, IT'LL BE FINE.



I CAN'T TAKE CARE OF SOMETHING SO DANGEROUS!

IT CAN CONTROL THOSE WILD FLAMES, RIGHT?



SFX: THUD

CREAK



HE LOOKS REALLY SUSPICIOUS...

ALRIGHT, FINE. I'LL SHOW YOU SOME FUDGE.



AND YOU'RE SURE HE WON'T ATTACK ME WITH FLAMES?

MRRROWP



WELL? HE'S A CUTE ONE, ISN'T HE?

SFX: BWOHH

SFX: TWITCH

OWAHHHHH!!!

EVEN IF I TRY AND
HESITATE
HIM LIKE
THIS...

LOOK,

ELB

MURROW

LEAD

HE WON'T
CAUSE ANY
MORE
PROBLEMS

I MADE IT SO
FAST EACH
TIME HE LIKES
HIS PUNISH.

HE ENDS UP
STRAHLING
HIMSELF. ALL IT
TOOK WAS A
SPECIAL COLLAR
ON HIS COLLAR!

TWICH

Recoo!

MURROW!

!?

Ahh!

THEY LOOK
FINE TO ME!

MEW

HOW DO I
KNOW THE
CATS WILL
GET
ALONG
WITH THEM?

B-BUT

WELL, I
SUPPOSE
THAT'S IT.
HAVE FUN
NOW!





ARE THERE
ANY HERE?



ENOUGH...

FUU-CHAN!
COME ON
IN!

I CAME TO
PLAY WITH
THE KITTENS!



COME HERE,
YURA



MROWWWW!















I'M MORE WORRIED ABOUT THE PSYCHOLOGICAL SHOCK SHE SUFFERED.

SHE DIDN'T GET ANY MAJOR INJURIES.



I SEE.

THAT WOULD BE A GREAT HELP.

I'D LIKE TO WATCH OVER HER UNTIL A FAMILY MEMBER ARRIVES, IF POSSIBLE.



HAS HER FAMILY ARRIVED YET?

NO...

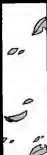
WE HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO GET A HOLD OF THEM...















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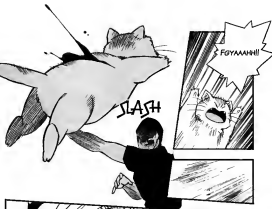
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#23. Nekomata







SHIBUENCH













SO TAKE
GOOD CARE
OF HIM,
ALRIGHT?

YOU OWE
YOUR LIFE TO
HIM.



I WILL!

OK...

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NARROW



PLEASE TRY TO
FEED HIM AT
YOUR HOUSE,
ALRIGHT?

FUU-GHAI!

Boooooo!!
ICHIGO'S
HERE AGAIN!

HE LOOKS
LIKE HE'S
GOTTEN EVEN
FATTER!

YEAH!

SCRATCH

MUNCH



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SURE, WHY NOT?











LONG TIME
NO SEE,
RENJOU-SAN!



MIYA-DONO.

MY, MY.

YOU'VE CERTAINLY
GOTTEN MORE
BEAUTIFUL SINCE I
SAW YOU LAST,



DID YOU
FIND OUT
ANYTHING
ANYLY...

MORE
IMPORT
ANTLY...

ABOUT
THAT
MAN?



AWAHA...

YOU NEVER
MISS A BEAT,
MIYA-DONO.

INDEMNANTS
AREN'T SUPPOSED TO
COMPLIMENT
THEIR
CUSTOMERS,
YOU KNOW!



YOU NEVER
CHANGE.

HMPH...





A KAGEHOUSHI
IS ONE WHO HAS
MASTERED THE
ART OF
SPLITTING
HIMSELF IN TWO,

OR CREATING A
SEPARATE CLONE
OF HIMSELF,

THIS IS ALSO
THOUGHT AS A
TYPE OF
"SPLIT-SOUL
DISEASE" THAT
PEOPLE ARE
BORN WITH.



BE CAREFUL,
MIYA-DONO.

CLONES AIN'T
THE ONLY THING
HE CAN CONJURE
UP.



THINGS ARE
STARTING
TO COME
TOGETHER
NOW.

I SEE...



THANKS, I
WILL.







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SHOCK



SORRY, BUT
THAT'S A
MISS.

Heh...



IT'S A HIT.

NO...



MY BODY
WON'T MOVE!!

M-MY
BODY...



!!

Uu...



#24. Kagehoushi





KUH... KUH...

KUH... KUH...

KUH... KUH... KUH...



SO MANY WOMEN?!

WHY DID YOU KILL



BEFORE THAT, I HAVE

ONE QUESTION FOR YOU...



IT'S NO DIFFERENT THAN THAT.

IF YOU GOT A NEW WEAPON, WOULDN'T YOU WANT TO TRY IT OUT?



IT REALLY GIVES ME A KUSH.

KILLING WOMEN IS ESPECIALLY FUN.

HEE HEE HEE...



AS LONG AS I SEND MY CLONE OUT, I CAN DO ANYTHING.

I CAN POP UP AND INVADE ANY PLACE I WANT.

MURDER IS A CHOE!



HYAHAA HAHAAH

KUH... KUH...

INSANE

YOU'RE













STAB







HE WAS IMMEDIATELY TAKEN TO A HOSPITAL, BUT HAD LOST TOO MUCH BLOOD

AND DIED SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

BLEEDING FROM HIS STOMACH AND COLLAPSED.

LATE LAST NIGHT, A CUSTOMER DRINKING AT A BAR CALLED "GENPET" SUDDENLY STARTED



KAGEYAMA TORUJI (35)

THE BRIGHTER THE LIGHT, THE DEEPER THE SHADOW BECOMES.

A 28-YEAR OLD MAN, DETECTIVES SUSPECT THAT HE USED A KNIFE TO COMMIT SUICIDE.

FROM HIS ID THE POLICE LEARNED THAT HE WAS KAGEYAMA TORUJI-SAN,

OF COURSE, I'M JUST LIKE THEM.

I LIVE IN THE DARKNESS.

FIGHTING WITH THE EVIL THAT DWELLS THERE IS MY JOB.



JUST AS
THERE IS
SHADOW
WHERE THERE
IS LIGHT,



THERE ARE
HUMANS WHO
LIVE IN THE
WORLD OF
LIGHT, AND
THOSE WHO
DWELL IN
DARKNESS.





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BUT THOSE
IN THE
LIGHT MAY

NEVER
JUDGE
THOSE IN
THE
SHADOWS...





ARE YOU SURE THIS

WILL BE ALRIGHT?

LIHHMM...

ONLY THOSE
OF THE DARK
MAY PASS
JUDGEMENT
ON ONE
ANOTHER...



YOU DON'T
NEED TO
WORRY.

I GIVE YOU
MY
GUARANTEE!

SURE.



IS
SHE?

WHAT
KIND OF A
PERSON



LIHHMM...
WELL...



BUT SHE'S
THE BEST
DETECTIVE IN
THIS TOWN.

THIS WOMAN IS
A BIT OF A LONE
WOLF, AND ONLY
TAKES ON
UNUSUAL JOBS...







